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TITLE OF INVENTION: ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE PROTECTION CIRCUIT

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# Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 77 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 77 day(s).

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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Jiawei Huang on 2/20/2004.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 1, line 3, after "a second HV P-well" insert ---,---.

Claim 4, line 3, after "a second HV P-well" insert ---,---.

The following changes to the drawings have been approved by the examiner and agreed upon by applicant: In figure 1B doped regions 114 and 116 should be labeled as "N+". In order to avoid abandonment of the application, applicant must make these above agreed upon drawing changes.

# Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1-6 are allowed.

## Reasons for allowance

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Zambrano (5,777,367) appears to be the closest prior art reference. Zambrano teaches substantially the entire claimed structure, as recited in claim 1, except a high voltage N well. Therefore, prior art do not teach or render obviousness the semiconductor structure, as claimed.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Papers related to this application may be submitted to Technology center (TC) 2800 by facsimile transmission. Papers should be faxed to TC 2800 via the TC 2800 Fax center located in Crystal Plaza 4, room 4-C23. The faxing of such papers must conform with the notice published in the Official Gazette, 1096 OG 30 (November 15, 1989). The Group 2811 Fax Center number is (703) 308-7722 and 308-7724. The Group 2811 Fax Center is to be used only for papers related to Group 2811 applications.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or any earlier communication from the Examiner should be directed to *Examiner Nadav* whose telephone number is **(571) 272-1660**. The Examiner is in the Office generally between the hours of 7 AM to 4 PM (Eastern Standard Time) Monday through Friday.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the **Technology Center Receptionists** whose telephone number is **308-0956** 

O.N. February 20, 2004

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